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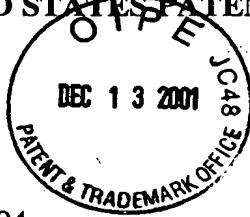
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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the following information is brought to the Examiner's attention.

The following six documents were cited in a Search Report recently issued by the European Patent Office in connection with a corresponding foreign application. A copy of the Search Report is enclosed.

European Patent Application No. 0 960 627.

U.S. Patent No. 5,338,157.

Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. 5-7623.

U.S. Patent No. 4,291,692.

U.S. Patent No. 5,544,661.

U.S. Patent No. 5,651,775.

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Copies of European Patent Application No. 0 960 627, U.S. Patent No. 5,338,157 and Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. 5-7623 were submitted with the Information Disclosure Statement dated September 20, 2001.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the foregoing information and to acknowledge such consideration by initialling, signing and returning the enclosed additional copy of form PTO-1449.

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